

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Works	(2) MEETING DATE 8/19/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Genaro Diaz, Project Manager (805) 781-5279	
(4) SUBJECT Submittal of a resolution approving the Huasna Road Repair Project and adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to Section 21000 et seq., of the California Public Resources Code (CEQA), and direct staff to proceed with associated project development activities. District 4.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adopt the attached resolution approving the Huasna Road Repair Project and adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to Section 21000 et seq., of the California Public Resources Code (CEQA); and 2. Direct staff to proceed with associated project development activities, including but not limited to: right-of-way processes; environmental regulatory permits; and preparation of final plans and specifications. 			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Road Fund	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ____) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP Attached	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A Date: _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW <i>Nikki J. Schmidt</i>			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) District 4			

Reference: 14AUG19-C-2

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Public Works

Genaro Diaz, Project Manager

Kate Ballantyne, Environmental Division Manager

VIA: Dave Flynn, Deputy Director of Public Works

DATE: 8/19/2014

SUBJECT: Submittal of a resolution approving the Huasna Road Repair Project and adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to Section 21000 et seq., of the California Public Resources Code (CEQA), and direct staff to proceed with associated project development activities. District 4.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Adopt the attached resolution approving the Huasna Road Repair Project and adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to Section 21000 et seq., of the California Public Resources Code (CEQA); and
2. Direct staff to proceed with associated project development activities, including but not limited to: right-of-way processes; environmental regulatory permits; and preparation of final plans and specifications.

DISCUSSION

The proposed project consists of the re-establishment of Huasna Road adjacent to Tar Spring Creek by constructing a rock slope protection (RSP) embankment and pavement widening. The project is located on Huasna Road, approximately 2000 feet east of Alisos Road near the City of Arroyo Grande.

The purpose of the project is to improve safety by reconstructing the road to its original alignment. Storms during the winter of 2010-2011 resulted in the loss of a section of a grouted rock wall that stabilizes the bank of Tar Spring Creek and, ultimately, Huasna Road. Moreover, stabilizing this section of bank is necessary to prevent further scour and erosion along Huasna Road.

As required by CEQA, all discretionary projects carried out by the Department of Public Works are reviewed to identify, avoid, reduce, and mitigate any environmental impacts. The Initial Study for this project was prepared by staff of the Department of Public Works' Environmental Division, with review and approval by the Environmental Coordinator in the Department of Planning and Building. The Environmental Coordinator found that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment because of the inclusion of mitigation and impact avoidance measures.

The Initial Study identified impacts and mitigation measures in the following issue areas: Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, and Water Quality. Mitigation measures include: pre-construction surveys, worker education, and construction monitoring to avoid impacts to sensitive species; revegetation for biological resources; and best management practices for water pollution and erosion control.

Construction of the improvements would be expected in the summer of 2015.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

Prior to commencement of the Initial Study, other affected local, State and Federal Agencies are notified of a proposed project. The County Agricultural Commissioner's Office has reviewed the project description and provided one mitigation measure that has been included in the Initial Study. This issue is further addressed in the attached Initial Study.

The proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration was noticed for public comment in a local newspaper and circulated to State agencies through the State Clearinghouse. The minimum 30-day review period ended June 23, 2014; no comments were received.

Prior to the commencement of work within the stream bed and banks, a Streambed Alteration Agreement from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Section 404 Authorization from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Section 401 Certification from the Regional Water Quality Control Board must be secured.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There is no cost associated with adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

This project is a multi-year maintenance project budgeted in the Road Fund for FY 2014-15. The estimated project costs to construct slope stabilization and pavement widening are \$521,000. The project will be funded from the Road Fund.

RESULTS

Approval of the project and adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration will complete the CEQA review phase and allow the project to move into the environmental permitting, right-of-way, and final design phases. Completion of the project will repair a section of Huasna Road and stabilize the bank of Tar Spring Creek, thereby contributing to a safe and prosperous community.

c: Katie Drexhage, Environmental Resource Specialist

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Vicinity Map
2. Resolution Approving the Huasna Road Repair Project and Adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act